

CONCERNS FOUND WITHIN COLLEGE BOARD'S SUBMITTED AP AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES COURSE

TOPICS FROM AP COURSE	CONCERN
<p>Topic 4.15 Intersectionality and Activism</p>	<p>Intersectionality is foundational to CRT, and ranks people based on their race, wealth, gender and sexual orientation.</p> <p>INCLUDED READING:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kimberle Crenshaw – Known as the “founder” of intersectionality, co-editor of <i>Critical Race Theory: The Key Writings that Formed the Movement</i> • Angela Davis – self-avowed Communist and Marxist
<p>Topic 4.19 Black Queer Studies</p>	<p>INCLUDED READING:</p> <p>Roderick Ferguson - who exclaims, “We have to encourage and develop practices whereby queerness isn’t a surrender to the status quos of race, class, gender and sexuality. It means building forms of queerness that reject the given realities of the government and the market.”</p>
<p>Topic 4.29 Movements for Black Lives</p>	<p>Movement for Black Lives is an organization with stated objectives that include eliminating prisons and jails, ending pretrial detention, and concluding “the war on Black trans, queer, gender non-conforming, and intersex people.”</p> <p>INCLUDED READING:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leslie Kay Jones who wrote, “Every day, black people produce an unquantifiable amount of content for the same social media corporations that reproduce the white supremacist superstructures that oppress us.”
<p>Topic 4.16 Black Feminist Literary Thought</p>	<p>INCLUDED READING:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bell Hooks – Author of many intersectionality texts, and in the recommended reading states “I began to use the phrase in my work ‘white supremacist capitalist patriarchy’ because I wanted to have some language that would actually remind us continually of the interlocking systems of domination that define our reality.”
<p>Topic 4.30 The Reparations Movement</p>	<p>All points and resources in this study advocate for reparations. There is no critical perspective or balancing opinion in this lesson.</p>
<p>Topic 4.31 Black Study and Black Struggle in the 21st Century</p>	<p>INCLUDED READING:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Robin D.G. Kelley argues that activism, rather than the university system, is the catalyst for social transformation. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Kelley’s first book was a study of Black communists in Alabama. o Kelley warns that simply establishing safe spaces and renaming campus buildings does nothing to overthrow capitalism.